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Washington April 24 1857.

Prof: John Torrey

Dear Sir,



There can be no difficulty in making the arrangement you propose. The report upon the plants collected by Mr Blake can just as well accompany the Part of Williamson's volume in which the Blake's own report is to appear. The printer will probably commence the latter on Monday or Tuesday, and will, if he continues upon it without interruption, finish it in three or four weeks. The 5th volume will then be all printed with the exception of your report, which the printer would therefore desire to have by that time.

The whole of Whipple's report is now printed, excepting the latter part of the Botany which include, your report. I have received two forms of Dr Engelmann's report, which precedes yours, and presume that they will be ready to commence your report on Monday.

Dr. Wierberg has been engaged by the office to correct the proof of the Botanical Report of Dr Engelmann and that of Saraud and Adgaid. It would save

much time to the printer if the proofs of your report could also be corrected in Washington. Would it be agreeable to you to have the office employ or clerkery for that purpose or is it necessary that you should yourself examine the proofs before the report is printed.

I would be glad to be notified in regard to this at your earliest convenience.

Very Respectfully Yours

J. C. Davis

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